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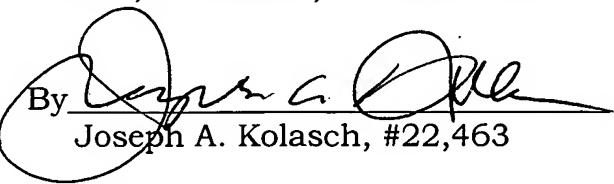
In response to the telephonic request of Examiner Matthew Brooks, a complete set of the claims is being submitted herewith to clarify the claims to be prosecuted in this application. When the application was originally filed on February 15, 2002, claims 1-49 were cancelled and replaced with the present claims 1-22.

In the event there are further matters remaining in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Mr. Joseph A. Kolasch, Registration No. 22,463 at 703-205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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